

RECOMMENDATION 19

The Special Committee recommends that, in addition to the prohibition on converted automatics, a prohibition be imposed as soon as possible on the further importation and sale of all semi-automatic firearms found by the Canadian Advisory Council on Firearms to fall within the military and para-military class. (Page 26)

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The Special Committee further recommends that those military and para-military firearms presently in private hands be subject to the following four options. The present owners could turn them in during an amnesty, sell them to a licensed collector, or become a licensed collector, and all such firearms held by a licensed collector would be registered as restricted weapons. If the present owner elected to retain these firearms without becoming a licensed collector, that person would be allowed to do so provided that the firearms were registered as restricted weapons, subject to any future transfer being limited to a licensed collector. (Page 26)

RECOMMENDATION 21

The Special Committee further recommends that the Canadian Advisory Council on Firearms be asked to undertake a comprehensive re-evaluation of all other semi-automatic firearms presently available in Canada, or which anyone might import in the future. Those found to be inappropriate for hunting purposes would become restricted weapons. (Page 26)

RECOMMENDATION 22

The Special Committee recommends that the Canadian Advisory Council on Firearms develop a definition of "genuine gun collector" and the conditions which should attach to the maintenance of such a status, and that the Department of Justice devise regulations to implement the definition and conditions of application. The Committee further recommends that a collector's licensing system be considered, having regard to the Committee's suggested criteria. The Committee further recommends that the regulations be laid before the House of Commons and referred to the appropriate Committee before being implemented. (Page 28)

RECOMMENDATION 23

The Special Committee recommends that section 116 of the Criminal Code be amended to authorize the application of safe storage requirements to all firearms owners. The Committee further recommends that the Department of Justice, in consultation with the Canadian Advisory Council on Firearms, design and implement regulations providing for safe storage standards that are appropriate in various circumstances and can be complied with by the owners affected by each standard. The Special Committee also recommends that the regulations be laid before the House of Commons and referred to the appropriate Committee before being implemented. (Page 30)

RECOMMENDATION 24

The Special Committee recommends that the Department of Justice, in consultation with the Canadian Advisory Council on Firearms, develop regulations defining the scope of the term "device", and the criteria pursuant to which a power to prohibit "devices" by order-in-council